

Officer's Certificate of Disability.

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Put place and date here.

(1) Name and rank of officer

I, ⁽¹⁾ William A. Chapman, 1st Captain of Company E of the
26th Regiment of Mass. Vols. having been duly sworn,

depose and say that William S. Handley was a Private

(2) Here state fully the time, place and manner in which the wound or other injury was received, or disease contracted, and if discharged for the said disability.

⁽²⁾ in my company, and is, as I am informed, an applicant for an Invalid Pension; that when in the line of his duty, at New Orleans, La. on or about the month of July or August 1863, he was injured as follows, while the Regt. was detailed as provost guard for the city, - while unloading coffins filled with dead bodies from a wagon, a coffin accidentally fell upon the back of his right hand just above the wrist, severely injuring it, - that he was not sent to hospital, but was on the sick list in quarters and unfit for active duty for some six months, - and that the said disability continued to trouble him until finally discharged in August, 1865.

My knowledge of the said facts is personal, having been in active service at the time. I have no interest in his claim.

(Signature)

W^mH Chapman

State of Massachusetts

County of Suffolk

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me this

21st

day of December

1877.

I have no interest.

A. Wadsworth

Justice of the Peace.



Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

PENSION DEPARTMENT,
No. 30 PEMBERTON SQUARE, BOSTON.

AFFIDAVIT.

State of Massachusetts, }
County of Middlesex } ss.

In the matter of the claim for pension
of Sarah E. Hambley widow of
William E. Hambley late of
of Company E, 26th Regiment Mass.

Vols.:

Personally came before me, a Notary Public in and for
aforesaid County and State, and
Geo. A. Reed, resident of Framingham
in the County of Middlesex, State of Mass., who being
duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid claim, as follows:—

William S Hambley Co E 26th Mass Regt
was in my Company at New Orleans La
in July 1863 and while handling caskets
containing dead bodies had his right
wrist and he always suffered from the injury
he had varicose veins while at Ship Island
this in 1861 and I do not think he was
a well man after he suffered his
wrist and always complained of it
I was well acquainted with him before
the war and up to the time of his death
Geo A Reed

I further declare that I have no interest in said claim, and am not concerned
in its prosecution.

Affiant's Signature,
P. O. Address,

George A Reed
Lunenburg Mass

Attest—when any affiant signs BY MARK two persons sign here.

Affiant's Signature,
P. O. Address,

[OVER.]

Origin of Disability.

(This affidavit must be executed by a **Commissioned Officer, or First Sergeant** of the soldier's Company, if possible. If not possible to secure the testimony of such, then **two other members** of his Company should testify to the facts.)

State of Mass

County of Middlesex

ss:

Personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace, in and for the County and State aforesaid, E Geo A Reed, aged 47 years, whose Residence and Post Office address is Saxamville,

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declares as follows:

That I was well acquainted with William S Sandifer, while he belonged to Company C, 26 Reg't., Mass Inf Vols. and know that he, while in the line of his duty, at or near Huntington,

, on or about the December 14th 1864 day of Jan 1864 incurred disability as follows, viz: while on the march in the Western Part of Massachusetts was taken sick and unable to do duty sick varicose veins and about

(If a wound or injury, state the nature and location thereof, how and under what circumstances it was received, the part of the body wounded or injured, and all the circumstances attending it. If sickness, state under what circumstances contracted, what caused it, the name and nature of the

fever 1864 was sick near Bernards Hundred Way with Cannie Dimmick and pills of knew Sweet William

sickness, and how it affected him then, and thereafter during his service.)

S Sandifer before the war and served in his Company from Oct 1861 till Sept 1865. and have known him since the war and he is now in poor health and not able to do manual labor much of the time and think him in need of a resteris

That I was then Sergeant of Co. E, 26th Reg't., Mass Inf Vols.

Rank. and the facts stated are personally known to me by reason of my leaving with him at

[Here state whether affiant was with the command at the time the soldier contracted the disability, or how his knowledge was otherwise obtained.]

All facts known to affiant relative to the soldier's medical treatment

cure of Regimental Surgeon

for his disability while in the service should be stated, giving time and place as nearly as possible.]

Eug A Reed
Saxamville
Mass.

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(Declaration for an Army Invalid Pension.)

State of Massachusetts - County of Middlesex.

On this Sixteenth day of May, A. D. One Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Seven,
personally appeared before me (a) Clerk of the Police Court of Lowell
within and for the County and State aforesaid William S. Handley, a resident of
Lowell in the State of Massachusetts, who, being duly sworn according
to law, declares that he is the identical William S. Handley who enlisted in the service
of the United States at Lowell, Mass. on the 29th day of August
in the year 1861, as a corporal private in Company E commanded by Captain Chapman
in the 26th Regiment of Mass. Vols. in the war of
1861, and was honorably discharged on the 26th day of August in the year 1865;
that, while in the service aforesaid, and in the line of his duty, he (b) received the following
named injury, - That when at New Orleans La. in July
or August 1863 while the Regiment was detailed as
Provost guard for the city, and while un-loading
coffins filled with dead bodies from a wagon,
a coffin accidentally fell upon the back of
his right hand just above the wrist, severely
injuring it, - that he was not on the sick list
sent to hospital but was on the sick list
in quarters and unfit for active duty for
about six months, - and that the said
disability continued to trouble him until
he was finally discharged and to this
time. He has not been in the U. S. army
or navy before or since the said service
from which he was discharged as aforesaid
August 26, 1865, except that he served for
three months in 1861, as private of Co.
E. 6th Mass. Vols. ✓



Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

PENSION DEPARTMENT,
No. 30 PEMBERTON SQUARE, BOSTON.

AFFIDAVIT.

State of Massachusetts,

County of Middlesex

ss.

In the matter of the claim for pension of William S. Keaney
ofof Company E, 26th Regiment Mass.

Vols.:

Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace
aforesaid County and State, Francis H. Stevens
, resident of Stow
in the County of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts, who being
duly sworn, declares in relation to aforesaid claim, as follows:—

That I served with William S. Keaney in Co. E.
26th Mass. Vols. for four years. And was very intimate with
him. And I know by my own knowledge that
in the summer and fall of 1863 he was incapacitated
for duty on account of a serious trouble with his
hand. And that caused by an injury while in the
line of his duty. And that his hand grew out of shape
from the effects of it.

And I further declare that in making this statement
I was not prompted by any printed written or verbal
statement relating thereto.

(A large diagonal line is drawn across the page from the left margin to the right margin.)

I further declare that I have no interest in said claim, and am not concerned
in its prosecution.

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Affiant's Signature, Francis H. Stevens
P. O. Address, West Upton, Mass.

Affiant's Signature,
P. O. Address,

Attest—when any affiant signs BY MARK TWO persons sign here.

Physician's Affidavit.

State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex ss:

In the Pension Claim of John H. Miller, late of West Cleton, Mass. Company and Regiment of Service, if in the Army; or Vessel and Rank, if in the Navy.
 before me, a Notary Public, in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Doctor Iraial Hutchins whose Residence and Post Office address is West Cleton Mass well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declares in relation to the aforesaid case as follows:

That I am a Practicing Physician, and have been acquainted with said soldier about 30 years, and that I was familiar with his physical condition during the period from Since the war 1890 Date of filing application under Act of June 27, 1890,

until his death 189... and knew him to be affected as follows: I amputation of his Affiant should here state the name or nature of each disability which claimant then had; also, whether or not said disability was, to the best of his knowledge and belief due to vicious habits, and his means of knowledge and the basis of such belief.
Arm in March 1887 that I have treated him for Hemorrhoids & varicose veins at various times of which I have no book account and also at times there has been excessa for which I have prescribed I have never known of his having vicious habits

That the degree of disability for the performance of manual labor resulting from above causes, in my opinion, was during said time as follows, viz:

I should not think that he had been able since his discharge to do one fourth of a man's work at manual labor

Said facts stated are personally known to me by reason of my personal knowledge Affiant here state his means of knowledge of the facts to which he testifies.

The above testimony (except formal parts in print) was written by myself Date by whom written. in my W. Cleton and from my West Cleton, Mass. If from your "oral statements," so state. to him then made on the 7 day of May 1897, at or near West Cleton, Mass., and that I was If "not prompted by any printed

or written statement of any other person" so state; but, if so prompted, state that fact, and attach such other statement to this affidavit.

Origin of Disability.

State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, ss:

In the Pension Claim of William S. Haudley

late of 60, E. 26 Mass. St.

Personally came before me, a Assistant Clerk of Superior Court, in and for the County and State aforesaid,

Cyrus Hale

whose Residence and Post Office address is Acton Mass.

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declares in relation to aforesaid case as follows:

That I have been acquainted with the above named soldier, for 30 years, and know that he incurred Loss of left thumb

If a wound or injury, state the nature and location thereof.

at or near Acton in the State of Mass on or about the 1st day of March 1887; under the following circumstances, viz: Here state how and under

what circumstances it was received, and whether due to vicious habits.

The said William S. Haudley was in the employ of Henry W. Smith's Factory for a number of years. When this injury was incurred he was running a circular saw and his thumb was cut off. The loss of his thumb did incapacitate him from further continuance of his business. He was temperate and a man of good habits.

Said facts stated are personally known to me by reason of

Affiant should here state how he obtained knowledge of the

The said Salter was a neighbor of mine living about 60 feet from my house. The same day of the injury I went to see him and his thumb was cut off.

I further declare that I have no interest, either direct or indirect, in the prosecution of said claim.

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Cyrus Hale

Affiant sign here.

HISTORY OF DISABILITY.

To be filled up and sworn to by Claimant.

State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex ss:

ON THIS 8th day of December A. D. 1892, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public & in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths William S. Handley, a resident of Acton
Name of Claimant.
Middlesex and State of Mass.
whose Post Office address is South Acton Mass.

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declares as follows:

That I am the identical person who under that name served in Co. E, 26 Reg't

Vols.

I further state that loss thumb of left hand and
ezema arm for which I claim pension,

I incurred on or about March 1877, at or near Acton Mass.

under the following circumstances, to wit: I burnt it out by
If said disability be disease, state fully its cause; if wound or injury, the precise manner in

which received.
a circular steel and either was heated
by my vicious habits

J. W. MORRIS, of Washington, D. C., being my true and lawful attorney, is hereby authorized by me to prosecute this claim to completion, before the Commissioner of Pensions, on appeal to the Secretary of the Interior, or before the Committees of Congress, as may be found necessary or deemed by him best for my interests.

William S. Handley
Signature of Claimant.

If Claimant signs by mark, two persons who can write must sign here.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex, ss.

I hereby certify that at the SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT, held at Cambridge, within and for the County of Middlesex, on the third Tuesday of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty six, to wit: on the Thirteenth day of November, A.D. 1866, a divorce from ~~in the State of Wisconsin~~ was decreed by the Court, between ~~Lizzie Rice~~ of Acton, in the County of Middlesex, and Oliver J. Rose, of Mine River, Octono County, in ~~the state of Wisconsin~~, in favor of said Lizzie for the cause which is fully set forth in the Libel on file in said Court, and it was also decreed by said court that the said Lizzie have and retain the sum of ~~one thousand~~ ~~one thousand~~ of Lizzie Rice above.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of said Court, at Cambridge, this ~~Eleventh~~ day of November, A.D. 1866.



B. F. T., Clerk.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

NOTE.—Write the affidavit just as you would write a letter, stating all the facts, circumstances, dates and places, as near as you can remember, according to the requirements in the case in which your testimony is to be used; also state how you know what you say to be true; whether from personal observation or otherwise.

STATE OF Massachusetts }
COUNTY OF Middlesex } ss.

In the matter of the claim for Sarah E. Handley, Widow
of William S. Handley,
late of Company E, 26th Regiment, Mass Volunteers,

Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for aforesaid County
and State, Lucius A. Hesselton, aged 48 years,
a resident of Arlon, in the County of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts,

who being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows:
That I am acquainted with all the circumstances of the death and burial of the late William S. Handley and know that his widow is without other property than is contained in household furniture, estimated at the value of Fifty dollars. She has no income of any kind, is in feeble health and dependent on her labor for support. The family were assisted at times for several years by the Grand Army as well as in his last sickness and after his death, I also know that he was buried at the States expense, under the Act for the Burial of Indigent Soldiers.
In making the above statement I have not been prompted or used any printed or written statement.

I further declare that I have no interest in said case, and am not concerned in its prosecution, and am not related to said claimant.

Attest when any affiant signs BY MARK 2 persons sign here.

} Affiant's Signature,

} P. O. Address,

Lucius A. Hesselton
South Acton Mass.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

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STATE OF *Massachusetts* }
COUNTY OF *Middlesex* } ss.

In the matter of the claim for *William S. Handley*.
of *Acton*, late of Company *E*, *26th* Regiment, *Mass* Volunteers,

Personally came before me, a *Justice of the Peace* in and for aforesaid County and State, *Charles A. Brooks*, aged *55* years, a resident of *Acton*, in the County of *Middlesex*, State of *Massachusetts*, who being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows:

That he was during the entire War a member of the same Company and was well acquainted with *William S. Handley*; and have since known him until his death, I remember that during the campaign in the Fall months of 1863 he suffered from an injured hand, which was treated by the Surgeon, and I know that the hand grew out of shape from that injury and remained so until his death, I have every reason to believe that the injury was received in the line of duty. I further declare that in making this statement I have not been prompted, or made use of any written or printed statement.

I further declare that *I have* no interest in said case, and *am* not concerned in its prosecution, and *am* not related to said claimant.

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Affiant's Signature,
P. O. Address,

Charles A. Brooks
South Acton, Mass

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GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

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STATE OF Massachusetts } ss.
COUNTY OF Middlesex } ss.

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In the matter of the claim for Widows pension of Sarah E. Mandley
widow of William S. Mandley late of Acton a former soldier
late of Company E, 26th Regiment, Mass. Volunteers,

Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for aforesaid County
and State, William D. Feltle, aged 69 years,
a resident of Acton, in the County of Middlesex, State of
Massachusetts, who being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows:

That he was and is well acquainted with the said William S. Mandley and with his wife Sarah E. Mandley, having been Town Clerk of Acton nearly forty years and having the custody of the Town records, that said William S. Mandley was married to said Sarah E. Mandley November 6th 1870 that she was his first and only wife and that he lived with her continuously from the time of his marriage with her until his death February 20th 1894, and that the said Sarah E. Mandley was never divorced from the said William S. Mandley. This testimony has been prepared and written, and in full conformity to the order of the Department of the Interior Bureau of Pensions, numbered 229.

I further declare that I have no interest in said case, and am not concerned in its prosecution, and am not related to said claimant.

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{ Affiant's Signature,

P. O. Address,

William D. Feltle
Acton Mass

South Acton Mass

April 26 1894.

Wm Lockren Esq.

Dear Sir:-

In answer to inquiry would say that
Mr. Wm Handley's salary was ten dollars
(\$10.00) a week & the daughter probably earns
from five(5) to seven(7) dollars a week.

This property after paying all bill would
amount to two(2) or three(3) hundred dollars
in money.

Yours Respectfully
A. J. Cole Asst P.M.
Per G.M.J.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

NOTE.—Write the affidavit just as you would write a letter, stating all the facts, circumstances, dates and places, as near as you can remember, according to the requirements in the case in which your testimony is to be used; also state how you know what you say to be true; whether from personal observation or otherwise.

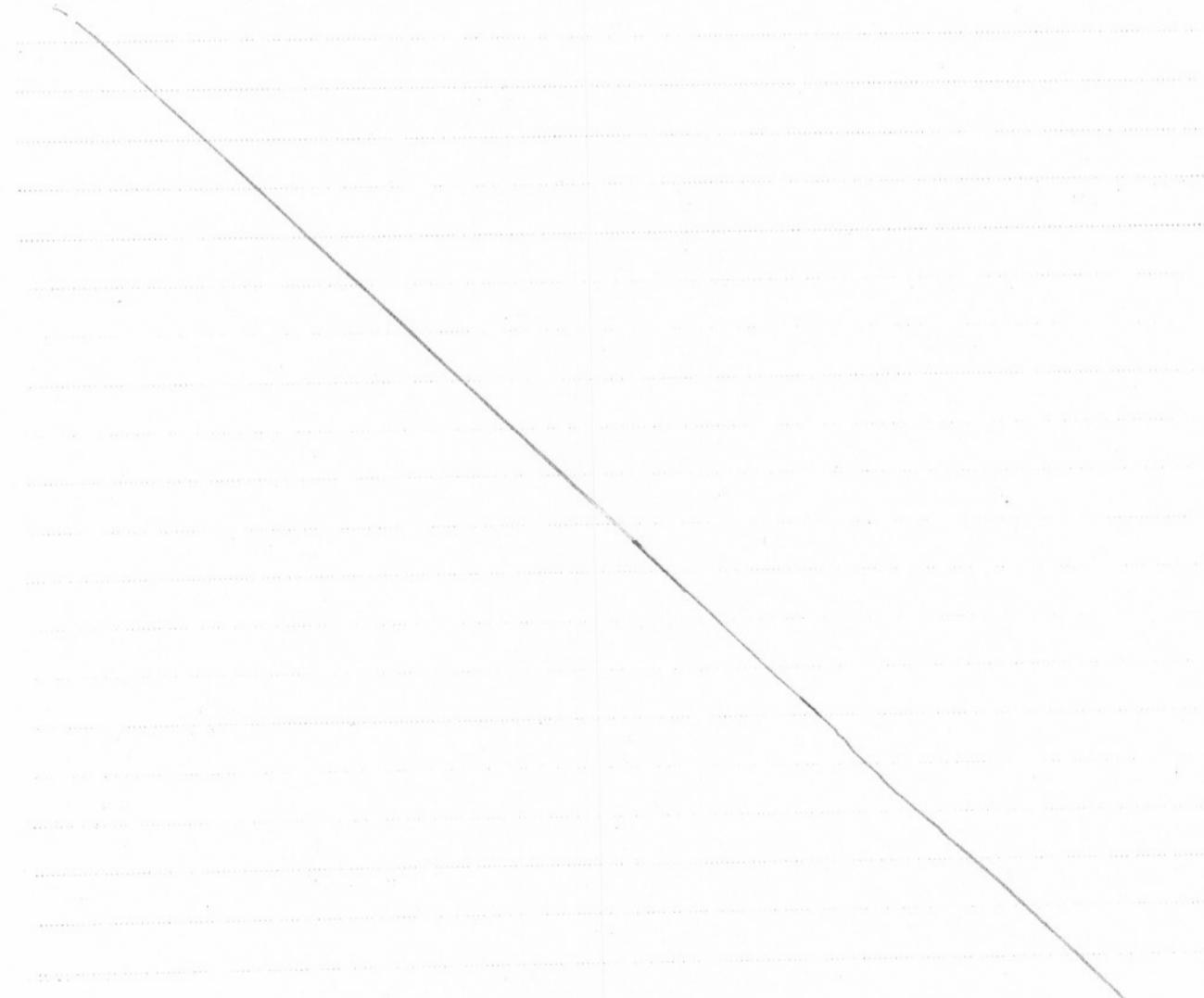
STATE OF Massachusetts }
COUNTY OF Middlesex } ss.

In the matter of the claim for Sarah E. Handley, Widow
of William S. Handley,

late of Company E, 26 Regiment, Mass Volunteers,

Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace, in and for aforesaid County and State, Sarah E. Handley, aged 50 years, a resident of Acton, in the County of Middlesex, State of

Massachusetts, who being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows:
That I am without property of any kind, real or personal, except my household furniture which is estimated as of less than fifty dollars in value;
I am obliged to take boards and do plain sewing when I am able, I am in full health and unable to do any light work.
In making this statement I have not been prompted or made use of any written or printed statement.



further declare that no interest in said case, and not concerned in

its prosecution, and not related to said claimant.

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Affiant's Signature, Sarah E. Handley

P. O. Address, So. L. T., Mass

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

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STATE OF Massachusetts }
COUNTY OF Middlesex } ss.

In the matter of the claim for William S. Handley. Deceased
of Acton

late of Company E, 26th Regiment, Mass Inf Volunteers,

Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for aforesaid County and State, Cyrus P. Pickard, aged 52 years, a resident of Littleton, in the County of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts, who being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows:

I was on detail with William S. Handley and others of our Company, to bury dead that had died by disease and wounds, in the St. James Hospital in New Orleans. The coffins were in Ambulances six in each, as we were unloading them at the graves. Handley slipped and brought his wrist against a coffin we had already unloaded and hurt it so he could not use that hand. He carried it in a sling for some time after. I know that the injury to his wrist was such that since his return from the Army he could not do many kinds of work with it.

The above testimony was written down in my presence by L. V. Colough, a Justice of the Peace and I have not been prompted or made use of any written printed statement relating thereto.

I further declare that I have no interest in said case, and am not concerned in its prosecution, and am not related to said claimant.

Attest when any affiant signs BY MARK 2 persons sign here.

Affiant's Signature, *Cyrus P. Pickard*
P. O. Address, *Littleton Common*

Mass

20 *[Signature]*

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and the Coffin slipped and fell down
 on his wrist. I could not say if there
 was any marks on the hand or wrist or
 if the skin had been ruptured. I don't
 know of anything else that he was
 doing from while in prison. He
 was not wounded and I could not
 say if he was in hospital. I could
 not say if he had Bronchitis, nor could
 I recollect that he suffered from bronchitis
 veins or piles. We were discharged
 together. I cannot tell just when he
 was at that time. He was kind of
 man down and his wrist was all
 stiff and seemed kind of out of joint.
 Since then we have lived together in South
 Africa. I know him disabled from manual
 labor $\frac{1}{3}$ since the time he got home from
 the war. I know he had bronchitis, but
 I could not say when he first got it. I
 think he told me that he had them some
 years after the war, but I could not say
 when I first found it out. I know
 he has been sick frequently but could
 not say more about it. He had
 doctors and was sick. I never heard
 him speak of his Bronchitis, but could
 not say when. The Co was almost con-
 tinually made up of men from Africa
 and adjacent towns, so I was not
 any particular claim of Africa.

Charles A. Brooks
 Deponent.

Grown to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____,
 189 , and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

(3-446.)

DEPOSITION *h*Case of *Sarah E. Handley*, No. 252120

On this 11 day of Nov, 1895, at South Acton, County of Middlesex
State of Mass., before me, D K Dae, a
Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Chas. E. Brooks, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer
truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid
pension claim, deposes and says: I am 56 years of age, now
in South Acton Mass and am a volunteer.
I enlisted in Aug 61 in Co E - 26 Mass Inf
and was discharged Aug 29, 65. I remember
W^m J. Handley well. We were boys to-
gether and served in the Co. together
and loved each other ever since
we came home. So far as I know
he was a sound and healthy man when
he enlisted. I don't think I ever saw him
winded. If he had a crippled hand at
the time of enlistment I should never
know it. I remember that soldier got
his hand injured at New Orleans in
the year of 63. Could not say what time
of the year it was. I was not present
when he sustained the injury, but saw
him when he returned. His hand was
then bandaged up. Could not say
what kind of bandages it was, it seems
to me it was a white cloth, but if
it was bandaged like hoggin or not I
could not say. I could not say if he
had any prosthesis or not. I think
he was excused from duty some time
on account of it. He told me that
he got the injury in this way. He
was drawing a Coffin out of a wagon

(3-446.)

DEPOSITION *of*
Case of *Sarah E Handley*, No. 252120

On this 11 day of Nov, 1895, at
Stow, County of Middlesex
State of Mass., before me, R. K. Dade, a
Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Francis H. Stevens, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer
truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid
pension claim, deposes and says: I am 57 years of age, reside in
Stow and am a farmer. Enlisted Sept 61 in
Co E - 2d mass Inf and was discharged April 65.
I was discharged as Sergeant. I remember soldiers well, I did not know him personally before en-
listment. In the fall of 63 at Weston, La Handley
got a disabled hand. He was a tent mate of mine.
He told me that his hand got hurt by a Coffin
falling on him, while unloading dead men from
a wagon. He used to go to surgeon with his hand.
It was examined by Dr. Bowright and Smith. He was excused
from duty for two or three months, but he did not
go to Hospital. We were together all the time.
He could walk O.K. but I had to help him carry
his things. He used to be troubled a good deal
with diarrhea, but I cannot now recall where
I first noticed it. He had it more or less
all the time during his service. I cannot
remember anything else that was the matter
with him. I recognize my signature to
Affidavits in B.J. 18 & 19 and declare same
correct in all respects. I cannot say
if I know that he had venereal disease in
the service. I might have said so for
gotten it. I know that he told me
afterwards that he had them. Could
not say that I know that he had piles
in the service, although he probably had

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As most people write Chronic Bronchitis has
galls. I cannot remember if he had sepsis
in the service. We were discharged together
and I know that his hand was twisted and
he was not a very strong man although I
don't think he called himself sick at the
time. I am positive that he did not have
his stiff hand at time of enlistment and
I know he got it in the service.

He was a man that would work if he
could earn, but I could not tell how much
he was disabled from his disabilities after
discharge.

I am not related nor interested in
this claim, I have understood all questions
and am honestly recorded.

Francis H. Stevens

Deponent.

I swear to and subscribed before me this 11 day of Nov.
1895, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

A. K. D.

Special Examiner.

(3-446.)

DEPOSITION

Case of Sarah E. Handley, No. 252120

On this 14 day of Nov , 1895, at
Boston, County of Suffolk
State of Mass., before me, R. K. Dow, a
Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Geo. A. Reed, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer
truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid
pension claim, deposes and says: I am 53 years of age, residing
in Framingham Mass and am a Conductor
B&A.R.R. I enlisted Sept 5, 61 in Co E - 26 Mass Inf
and was discharged Sept 25, 65. I was Ord Sgt
of Co. I number Wm J. Handley wife. We were
boys together. He was in perfect health before
he enlisted. Mrs. Knew him to be sick one day
before he went into the Army. In Dec 61 or Jan 62
soldier Contracted venereal veins from heavy marching
in the sand. I saw the veins at the time.
They were below the knee and both legs
were affected. In the fall of 1863 Handley
supposed his wrist by handling some Coffins.
I did not see the accident. The skin of
the hand or arm did not break. He used
to carry his hand in a sling for a long while.
and I used to have to excuse him from Drill
lots of times on account of it. I know he
was treated by one doctor for quite a while.
July 64. At Brundreth Hospital Va. He had Chronic
diarrhoea and also piles in a very bad degree.
I don't think he had any scyrene in the tissue.
He told me about the piles, but I did not
see them. I don't remember much about
him at time of discharge. His hand was
stiff all the time, and I think he was
pretty well run down all around.
I used to see him 4 or 5 times a year.

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from time of discharge up to death. He always looked lean and poor and out of health. He complained of the diarrhea and piles and varicose veins almost every time I saw him. I think he was over half disabled from hard manual labor from the time he went out of the Army.

I recognize my signature to affadavits in B.J. 20, 21, 22 and other statements therein made correct in all and every respect.

Regarding the Soldier's statement that he first got his varicose veins in 63 - I can only say that I am certain I saw the veins on Miss Island in 62.

I am not related nor interested in this claim, I have understood all questions and am correctly recorded.

Geo A Reed

Deponent.

I swear to and subscribed before me this 14 day of Nov., 1895, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

R. K. Doe

Special Examiner.

(3-446.)

DEPOSITION *d*Case of Sarah E. Handley, No. 252120

On this 13 day of Nov, 1895, at
Acton, County of Middlesex
State of Mass., before me, R K Dade, a
Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared

Luther Conant, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer
truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid
pension claim, deposes and says: I am 64 years of age, reside in
Acton Mass and am a farmer. I remember

I was then
teacher
Wm S. Handley well. We went to school to-
gather. He was a good nigger boy at
the time of his enlistment. I do not number
much about him at time of discharge but re-
call him quite well from 1870 and on up
to his death. I think that he was about 14 dis-
abled from manual labor from 1870 and up to
his death. I could not number much of
his ailments but know that he had piles in
a pretty worn organ. I have avowed
to see him once or twice the year around.
His disabilities grew upon him and the
last few years of his life he was totally
disabled from hard manual labor.

I am not related nor interested
in this claim. I have been correctly
recorded.

Luther Conant

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
13 day of Nov 1895 and I certify that
the contents were fully made known
to deponent before signing

R K Dade

- Spdx.

(3-446.)

DEPOSITION

Case of Sarah E. Handley, No. 252120

On this 13 day of Nov, 1895, at
Littleton, County of Middlesex
State of Mass., before me, F. K. D. De., a
Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared

Cyrus J. Dickard, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer
truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid
pension claim, deposes and says: I am 53 years of age, now a
farmer in Littleton, Mass. and am a farm. I enlisted
Sept 5, 61 in Co E - 26 Mass Regt and was dis-
charged from Co E - Sept 11, 1863. I remember
Wm J. Handley quite well. I knew him
both externally but not internally. While
we were on Ship Island in Oct 61 Handley
got some venereal disease from Henry McClouding in
the sand. We were drilled there for 3 months
very hard and Handley could not stand it.
I saw those veins at that time. The right
leg was the one that bothered him the most.
I could not tell if he saw any doctor about
it. I talked next but to him but we were
very often detailed together as we rooms down
so close together on Co. S roles. I think he
died duty right along and was not excused
on account of the venereal veins. Why
for I am positive that I saw the veins
at the time stated. We were started
to bury some dead, taken from St James
Hospital, New Orleans La, about Aug 1863.
I should judge the last part of the month.
I think there was about 12 corpses to be
buried. 6 on each ambulance. We
had taken down the first coffin. Handley
and myself handling them as we were
the two tallest on the detail. When we

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Came to take down the second Handley
 slipped and somehow got his arm in
 between the Coffin on the Ground and the
 one we were handling in such a way as
 to disable him from doing any more that
 day. I do not think that the skin broke,
 but he had to carry his hand in a sling for
 several days afterward. He went to Dr. Brant
 for treatment. It was the arm above the
 wrist that got hurt. It was not the
 wrist itself. I could not tell how
 long he was excused from duty as
 I left the regt before he got well and
 was put on duty. He did not go to Hospital.
 I don't know that he had any other difficulty
 while I was with the regt. Since the
 war - 1866 - I have seen Handley about
 4 times a year and know him about
 40 disabled from manual work from that
 time on. I don't know of anything else
 that he suffered from since the war. I
 recognize my signature to B.J. 24 and
 declare same statement true in all
 respects. Regarding Handley's statement that
 he contracted the venereal virus in 63 I can
 say that he pulled up his pants by and showed
 me the virus in 66 on Ship Island, La.
 We were on Ship Island until March 1, 62
 and I am positive that I saw the virus there on
 the Island.

I am not related nor interested and am completely
 record

Cyrus P. Pickard Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13 day of Nov.,
 1895, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

R. K. Doe
 Special Examiner.

N. B.—Examiners should be particular to have affiants sign on the line next below the closing words of their depositions so as to leave little or no space between their signatures and the end of their depositions.

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DEPOSITION *a*Case of *Sarah E. Handley*, No. 252120

On this 11 day of Nov, 1895, at South Acton, County of Middlesex State of Mass., before me, D K Dag, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared Sarah E. Handley, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to her during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: I am 51 years of age, now in South Acton, Mass and I live for a living. I am the widow of Wm S. Handley he served in Co 2-6 Mass Inf April 15, 61 to July 61 then he enlisted four 3 years in Co 2-26 Mass Reg. He was enrolled in same Aug 29, 61 and was discharged Jan 1, 64; when upon his enlistment in same Co and was finally discharged Aug 26, 1866; after which time he did not serve in either navy or army of the U.S. He had no service prior to April, 1861. He was at times private & company. He died in South Acton Mass, Feb 20, 94 from pneumonia, bloodstroke and chronic bronchitis.

I was married to Salter Nov 6, 1870 by Rev Mr Murray of Littleton Mass. Some of Mr Minister family acted as witnesses I could not give their name. I was married under the name Sarah E. Richardson. I had been previously married to Henry J. Rowse. I was married to him Oct 22, 63 under my maiden name Sarah E. Richardson. I procured a divorce from Rowse Nov 13, 69. I had not been previously married before I was married to Rowse — nor was I married to any one from the time I

1. Page procured a divorce from Rose until I married Saldins. I was never divorced from Wm J. Handley and lived with him up to his death in 1894. I have not remarried or cohabitated with any man as his wife since the date of Saldins. Mr. Handley had not been married before he married me. He left no children under 16 years of age.

I did not know him before after the war. I have heard that he was a perfectly sound young man at the time of his enlistment. I now ask pension for injury to right wrist. It seems that he was unloading Coffins containing dead bodies in New Orleans, La in 1862 or 63. I don't know if he went to Hospital or not but he always had a stiff wrist after that. He tried to leave the union trade but had to give it up on account of his stiff wrist. I could not say if he ever had any treatment at all in the service for same injury. I never asked him and did not hear him say one way or the other.

2. He also had varicose veins ever since I knew him. He had to be bandaged every day for months at the time. He got it from marching through sand in New Orleans, La. I could not say when it happened, nor if he was treated for same in the Army. He never told me anything about that.

3. He also had Chronic Diarrhoea and piles ever since I knew him. He had piles right straight along from ten time I married him and up to his death. He had Chronic Diarrhoea 3-4 times a year and very bad. It worried torment

hour for 3-4 weeks at a time.

Every year he had a bad attack of his varicose veins and always used to keep a wash to bathe his legs with.

d He also had sciatica at the time we were married in 1870. He never told me how he got it, but the doctors told me that he probably got it from poor living in the service. I think that he was about $\frac{4}{3}$ disabled from work ever since I knew him. His last sickness lasted between 5-6 weeks. He took a severe cold in the first place. That settled in his lungs and in his blood. He had had a severe lung trouble in 1888 there was also some bladder trouble at that time, but not so very severe. The Chronic Bronchitis troubled him greatly during his last illness. Dr Barker of Acton Center treated him in his last sickness. He was assisted by Dr McAllister of Waltham. He died Feb 20, 1894 and the doctors told me that his Constitution was so broken down that he could not go through a severe sickness at all.

I have understood all questions and am correctly re-ordered.

Sarah E. Handler

(Deponent.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11 day of Nov
1895, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

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Special Examiner.

(3-446.)

DEPOSITION

Case of Sarah E. Handley, No. 252120

On this 11 day of Nov, 1895, at
Maynard, County of Middlesex
State of Mass., before me, R. H. Cole,
Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Dennis Shuban, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer
truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid
pension claim, deposes and says: I am 78 years of age, reside
in Maynard Mass. I enlisted Sept 61 in
Co E-26 Mass Inf and was discharged Aug 65
I remember Wm J. Handley well. I knew him
before he enlisted and he was a sound healthy boy
at the time. I saw solder at New Orleans La.
with a sore hand. I think some bones were broken.
I don't know how it happened or when as
I cannot remember that any more. I don't
think that there was anything else the
matter with him. I never heard anything
about him having Chronic Bronchitis or
varicose veins nor piles. He may have
had them, but I did not know about it.
The hand was crooked when we were
discharged. He must have had a Doctor
and he was excused from duty, but
I could not tell the Doctor name. I
only know that when he went into
the Army his hand was all sound like
mine, but when he was discharged it
was injured. I could not tell how
much disabled he was when there.
I am not related nor interested and
am sometly record.

Witnesed: *Wm. R. Hall P.M.* Dennis & Shuban
Nursk

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D.C., June 28th, 1878.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 252,120, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office.

It appears from the Rolls on file in this Office that William S. Handley was enrolled on the _____ day of _____, 1861, at _____ in Co. _____,

Regiment of _____ Volunteers, to serve _____ years or during the war, and mustered into service as a Private on the 22^d day of April, 1861, at Washington, D.C., in Co. E, 6th Regiment of Massachusetts Volunteers, to serve 3 months, or ^{out} during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. E, of that Regiment, for the months of _____ dated August 2^d, 1861, he is reported mustered out with Co. that date; place not stated on roll.

William S. Handley was enrolled Sept. 4th 1861, at Acton, for 3 years, and mustered into service Oct. 18th 1861, at Lowell, Mass., same period, as a Private in Co. E, 26th Mass. Vols. Rolls of Co. from mustering to Oct. 31st 1862, report him present. Nov. & Dec. 1862, to Aug. 31st 1863, Corporal, present. Reg. Rec. for July, 1863, does not report him absent, sick or otherwise. Stations of Co. July 31st 1863 New Orleans, La.; Aug. 31st 1863, Baton Rouge, La. Rolls for Sept. & Oct. 1863 to Dec. 31st 1863, present. Re-enlisted as Tech. Vol., Jan. 1st 1864, at New Iberia, La., for 3 years. Rolls for Jan. & Feb. 1864 to June 30th 1864, present. July & Aug. 1864, absent, sick in hosp. at Washington, D.C., since Aug. 2^d 1864. Sept. & Oct. 1864, to April 30th 1865, present. May & June, 1865, Private, present. I.M.R. of Co., dated Aug. 26th 1865, reports him mustered out with Co. that date, at Savannah, Ga. Copy of my Accidental records, which show no evidence of injury, as aforesaid.

Middlesex Massachusetts in 1870 Wm D. Settle
Registrar.

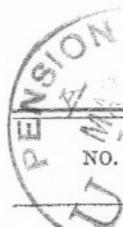
PLACE OF BIRTH.	NAMES OF PARENTS.	DISEASE OR CAUSE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF INTERMENT.	BIRTH PLACE OF INFORMANT, OR UNDERTAKER.	BIRTH PLACE OF WHEN REGISTERED.
				Father	Mother
Acton	Abraham B & Susan E (Winn)	m. m. Pneumonia & Lee Grippe	Acton	Salem	

nd Commonwealth of Massachusetts do hereby say
and have the care and custody of the records of said
records of said town of the death of William S. Hendley
William D Settle Town Clerk
of Acton

Middlesex 21.
I do before me the witness named William D Settle
do make oath to the truth of the above certificate
the Justice of the Peace.

DEATHS registered in

The Town of Acton County of



Middlesex State of Massachusetts Wm D Tuttle Registrar.

PLACE OF BIRTH OF EACH.	NAMES OF PARENTS.	WHAT MARRIAGE, WHETHER 1st, 2d, 3d, &c.	NAME AND OFFICIAL STATION OF PERSON BY WHOM MARRIED.	DATE OF REGISTRY.
Aetor	Abraham & Susan Winn	1 st	Rev Daniel P Murphy	1870
Aetor	Charles & Mary (Davis)	2 ^d	at Pittsfield	

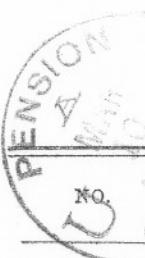
and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do pose and say
 id and have the care and custody of the records of said
 Copy from the records of said Town of the Marriage

William D. Tuttle Town Clerk of Aetor.

ty of Middlesex as.

Itly appeared before me the above named William D. Tuttle
 deposed made ^{oath} to the truth of the above certificate by
 Justice of the Peace.

MARRIAGES registered in the Town of Acton, County of



NO.	DATE OF MARRIAGE.	NAMES AND SURNAMES OF GROOM AND BRIDE.	RESIDENCE OF EACH AT TIME OF MARRIAGE.	AGE OF EACH IN YEARS.	OCCUPATION OF GROOM.
14	Nov 6 th 1870	William S. Hambley S. Elizabeth Richardson	Acton Acton	29 26.	Mechanic

Acton March 8th 1894.

I William D. Tuttle of Acton County of Middlesex
that I hold the office of Town Clerk of Acton aforesaid
town and that the record above given is an extract
of William S. Hambley and S. Elizabeth Richardson

State of Massachusetts County
On this Eighth day of March A.D. 1894 personally
saw and known to me as the Town Clerk of Acton
him signed Before me Horace F. Tuttle Jr